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Re: U.S. Patent Application
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For: **Prostate Derived Ets Factor**
Inventors: LIBERMANN *et al.*
Our Ref: 1488.1090000/EKS/KLM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Form PTO-1449 (14 sheets);
3. 40 documents (AR1-AR14); and
4. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Applicants also wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner that SEQ ID NO:1 and the corresponding clones of the captioned application may be related to 1) SEQ ID NOS:148 and 545 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/189,834, filed on November 12, 1998; 2) SEQ ID NO:11679 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/276,163, filed on July 15, 1994; 3) SEQ ID NOS:3596 and 3603 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/346,731, filed on November 21, 1994; 4) SEQ ID NO:1828 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/799,180, filed on February 12, 1997; 5) SEQ ID NO:1834 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/985,366, filed on December 4, 1997; 6) SEQ ID NO:1119 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/076,898, filed on May 13, 1998; 7) SEQ ID NO:2940 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/078,617, filed on May 14, 1998; 8) SEQ ID NO:1627

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Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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This statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, or that information more material to the examination of the present patent application does not exist. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith. It is further understood that the Examiner will consider information that

had been cited or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in a prior application relied on under 35 U.S.C. § 120, 1138 OG 37, 38 (May 19, 1992).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No statement or fee is required.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and to indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

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